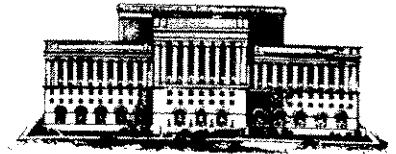


COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Milwaukee County

John F. Weishan Jr.
Supervisor, 16th District



Dear Veteran & Veteran Supporter:

We live in a special time in which our Milwaukee community is rediscovering the contribution that veterans and current military personnel are making to bring freedom and justice throughout the world.

We salute those who have served and those currently serving. A reflection of a grateful community can be seen in the support that it gives to veteran's organizations and veteran support services.

Currently, Milwaukee County has fallen short in its efforts despite the rhetoric of County Executive Walker. The County Executive has proclaimed 2007 the year of the veteran and has noted the many special events that will take place in the Milwaukee area this year including the commissioning ceremony of the LCS-1 USS Freedom. Unfortunately, the County Executive has failed to show his support for veterans or service personnel in his county budgets. His past and current record is one that cuts programs and services. His mission is not to serve veterans but to serve a shortsighted no tax political agenda.

To date County Executive Walker has cut or eliminated the following:

2003

- War Memorial center funding by \$175,057.
- Funding for flags & grave markers.
- Veterans' services by \$20,112.

2004

- War Memorial center funding by \$393,879.

2005

- War Memorial center funding by \$25,000.

2006

- Veterans' services by \$2,589.

2007

- War Memorial center funding by \$71,673.
- Veterans' services by \$ 9,868 and the elimination of a staff position.

These are not the actions of an individual who supports our troops and their mission. As County Executive Walker travels around Milwaukee County visiting veteran's organizations and attending military ceremonies, he should be confronted for his failure to serve those who have given so much for the cause of freedom. Services to the brave men and women who have served with great honor and distinction should not be eliminated to advance a corrupt personal political agenda.

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Call County Executive Walker at his office (414) 278-5354 to express your feelings on his cuts to services that support our brave men and women.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John F. Weishan Jr.', written in a cursive style.

John F. Weishan Jr.
Milwaukee County Supervisor 16th District
Marine Corps Veteran